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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the following Japanese documents, which are also listed on the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (form PTO-1449).

Complete copies of the cited Japanese laid-open patent applications are submitted herewith. As a convenience, English abstracts of Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application Nos. 60-122442, 61-050285, 01-237824, and 02-131654 have been provided. For the remaining cited laid-open applications, applicants have provided both English abstracts and complete English machine translations.

Partial English translations of the Japanese non-patent references are provided, along with the original documents.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (PTO-1449) be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination, and so is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4), meaning no fee is due. If, however, the Commissioner deems any fee to be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge that fee, as well as any other fees which may now or hereafter be due, to Deposit Account 19-4709.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of this application is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please do not hesitate to contact Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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